(c) by when these projects are likely to be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI): (a) A deadline has been set for power projects on the Memorandum of Understanding/ Letter of Intent etc., route to submit their Detailed Project Reports by March 31; 1997.

(b) and (c) 19 projects have been given techno-economic clearance by Central Electricity Authority. Detailed Project Reports, along with firmed up costs in respect of 5 schemes for setting up of power projects in the private sector have been received in the Central Electricity Authority (CEA) for accord of techno-economic clearance. These schemes will be accorded the techno-economic clearance of CEA after the pending inmputs/clearance linkages from various agencies have been tied up by the project promoters.

Structure of the Civil and Police Administration

775. SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that civil and police administration has become top heavy over the years; and

(b) if so, the details in this regard, indicating the number of officers at each level, from the Secretary downwards?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI S.R. BALASUBRAMONIYAN): (a) and (b) This department is not maintaining any information as regards the number of officers at each level from Secretary downwards in ministries/ departments of Government of India. The police is a State subject except for the police in Delhi and a few other UTs. The information relating to Civil administration is contained in the Annual Reports of the ministries/departments. The requisite information is not centrally compiled. In view of this it is difficult to say whether the civil and police administration and police administration has become top heavy or not.

Application of Articles 356 and 249 to Jammu and Kashmir

776. SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government attention has been drawn to the newsitem which appeared in the Times of India of 14th October, 1996 under the caption "Farooq is against application of Articles 356, 249 to Jammu and Kashmir; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI S.R. BALASUBRAMONIYAN): (a) Government is aware of the report.

(b) Government would consider these and related matters at an appropriate stage and time, as and when specific proposals in this regard are made to it.

12.00 Noon

(The Deputy Chairman in the Chair

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

Report and Accounts (1994-95) of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research, New Delhi and related papers

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MNISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): Madam, I lay on the Table, a

copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:—

(i) Annual Report of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research, New Delhi for the year 1994-95.

(ii) Annual Accounts of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research, New Delhi for the year 1994-95 and the Audit Report thereon.

(iii) Statement by Government accepting the above Report.

(iv) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the paper mentioned at (i) and (ii) above [Placd in Library. *See* No. L.T. 651/96]

Memorandum of Understanding (1996-97) between Govt. of India (Ministry of Power) and National Hydroelectric Power Corporation Limited

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI): Madam, I lay on the Table, a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of India (Ministry of Power) and National Hydroelectric Power Corporation Limited, for the year 1996-97 [Placed in Library *See* No. L.T. 652/96]

Report and Accounts (1995-96) of the Delhi Urban Art Commission New Delhi

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): Madam, I lay on the Table, under section 19 and sub-section (4) of section 20 of the Delhi Urban Art Commission Act, 1973 a copy (in English and Hindi) of the folliwng papers:—

(i) Annual Report of the Delhi Urban Art Commission, New Delhi, for the year 1995-96.

(ii) Annual Accounts of the Delhi Urban Art Commission, New Delhi for the year 1995-96 and the Audit Report thereon.

[Placed in Library. *See No.* LT. 653/96]

REPORTS AND MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE WELFARE OF SCHEDULED CASTES AND SCHEDULED TRIBES

SHRI RAM NATH KOVIND: (Uttar Pradesh) Madam, I lay on the Table a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Reports and Minutes of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes:—

(i) First Report and Minutes on the Ministry of Railways (Railway Board)

for Reservation and Employment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Sourth Eeastern Railway.

(ii) Second Report and Minutes on the Ministry of Rural Area & Employment (Department of Rural Employment & Poverty Alleviation) on Employment and Financial Assistance provided to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes under Jawahar Rojgar Yojna.

RE: TRANSFER OF GENETIC MATERIAL TO WEST AND AGREEMENT WITH THE U.S. ON WOLDLIFE EXCHANGE

DR. BIPLAB DASGUPTA (West Bengal): Madam, I am raising an issue relating to an invasion, an invasion which is not a military type but partially an economic one. But this is basically a biological invasion. The invasion is on